



Mosquito net box & left

Lime juice. 1/2 doz.

Shirring box.

Lactate magnesia 1/2 doz.

Sandpaper

Sawdust fine.

Chip boxes.

Dust shot. No. 3. 1000.

Dynamite. caps & fuse

March 30<sup>th</sup> Th

Leave T. I. 3 pm en route for  
Archer river. Strong S. E. breeze  
Anchor under Prince of Wales  
is.

Mar 31<sup>st</sup> W

Made an early start. Wind  
variable. Reach Crab is at  
sunset. Over a 100 Tuzate  
birds came in to roost  
on the island.

April 1<sup>st</sup> F

Start off at sunrise  
Moderate breeze from S. E. making  
at a backing wind. Nothing of  
interest en route. Anchor off  
Macdonnell river at sunset.

April 2nd 5

morning of interest was  
the way. Anchor about  
5 miles beyond Patania  
river.

April 3rd 5

Just S.C. breeze made  
good headway. Flock of  
Terns at its pigeon noted  
flying north along coast. Anchor  
10 pm on southern side of  
Ducy Bay. Heavy swell  
coming out of bay, did not  
get much sleep. Boat rolling  
badly.

April 4th. 1

Light S. E. wind

progress slow sighted Archer  
river 11 am. Large flock of  
Egrets out about 4 miles  
from land of being north.  
Later in afternoon saw a  
flock of Ferris strait pigeon  
flying north & a small  
flock of *Galline picata*  
coming in from the west  
Archer river mouth of  
Archer river at sunset  
Some of the natives told  
me of a breeding place of  
birds on the Rafter creek  
so I thought it would be

as well to have a look  
at it.

April 5<sup>th</sup>. D

Had to wait for the  
afternoon tide. Make a start  
about 4 p.m. Reach the mouth  
of the creek at dark, & anchor.

April 6<sup>th</sup>. J

Proceed up creek a few  
miles & anchor. Go ashore  
& explore the swamps. Plover  
bypets & Ibis were fairly  
plentiful on the small swamps  
near the river. A pair of  
Glossy ibis were noted but  
I could not get a shot at

them. So as to the big  
swamp about 2 miles from  
the river. Semipalmated geese  
were here in great numbers  
found several half built  
nests, but did not find any  
eggs. Waded through about  
2 miles of swamp it was  
very heavy going. No other  
birds noted.

April 7th. W

Spent the day exploring some  
of the islands in the river but  
did not find any nests.

April 8th. 7

Leave with the tide  
to go to the other river further  
down the coast. Get fast  
on a bank a 1/2 month of  
Barche & had to wait till  
following day.

April 9th. 7

Make an early start &  
reach the river about  
12 noon. Go up for about  
3 miles & anchor as it is  
too shallow to proceed  
further in the cutter.  
The river here widens out  
into a big shallow bay



2 miles by 2 miles, there are  
a couple of large mangrove  
islands in this bay &  
numerous creeks & channels  
radiating from it. A couple  
of flocks of Egrets;  
Pelicans mangrove ducks  
Plover & Stilts were  
seen on the mud banks  
Spent the afternoon  
exploring one of the creeks  
for about 3 miles. Hundreds  
of old Keron's nests were seen  
in the mangroves on both  
sides of the creek. A couple  
of pairs of Pied egrets noted  
on returning to the boat

a Great billed Heron could  
be heard calling & another  
was seen flying past at  
sunset. A few small flocks  
of Black-billed Spoonbill  
& Ibis were seen flying  
across the bay during  
the day.

April 10th.

Explored another creek for  
about 4 miles. Two nests  
of *A. sumatrana* were  
examined, but there was  
no egg. The tracks, "of  
natives", about a fortnight  
old were seen at both



about 2 miles. But there were  
no marks of it at all.  
The water here has no  
evidence of fire or destruction.  
I have here questioned the  
people of the country of the  
day, and asked them for  
any old pictures now. I had  
heard of pictures. I think I  
was about 1800. There the  
old ones are very many.  
They show a bygone time  
of ruin from (that would  
be about 1800 of our  
time.) This is a picture



March 1st account.

April 10th

Left town at 10 o'clock morning  
to go up the mountain to  
where I found most  
of Great billed tern  
last August. Reached  
at summit within  
half a mile of the peak  
could not get any further  
as birds were running  
out.

April 16th

to see count back of  
since a fellow says says of

They went for a couple of miles  
Then up a creek into the forest  
country. Some houses were seen  
in a sort of clearing, surrounded  
with a rough fence. The houses  
were a couple of houses. They went  
A little further on a small  
-thicket from edge of forest, and  
went over top of hill. The forest  
country is that in distance. The  
river. Following a creek up  
they were from the forest  
country were seen that they  
at distance was seen to be a  
small swamp. Following the  
river a sort of thicket was  
-thicket. They then up river.

about 10 o'clock a merchant  
man, I followed  
meant for the day about  
we here but could not find  
the. Returning along the way  
of Maynard I saw one  
of the Parakeets flying  
from the plain. It was  
the man, I saw  
at a point where the  
Chrysomelids, that we saw  
in the woods. In the afternoon  
I had a hunt round for the  
insects again but could  
not see any of them. But  
a pair of Woodcock were in  
-seen & found a nest &







In some times, the birds  
have not been out of the  
ground that I have written  
down about the morning  
with the birds flying  
that is with the birds  
rather to be out. That is  
also the birds that I  
had to see. The birds are  
very much out of the ground  
the birds are very much  
out of the ground as they are  
very flighty. After the birds  
I saw up to about a mile  
I saw a nest. The nest  
was. That I saw some  
number of the nest.

probably written noted  
in my journal concerning  
channel. Rather, also by  
note

April 17th  
Leave the station a few  
minutes early, get out on  
a boat, a small launch  
went full way, then  
for get off, but was  
of the water & island  
in the Bay, then a  
boat of my own and  
at last came to the  
boat a small launch  
rather a few minutes.

April 18<sup>th</sup>

Received my little bird for a  
couple of weeks ago. In  
order to have a good  
example we regularly try my  
I trust on well you will  
in it. I was about with  
Mr. White, Mr. White &  
Stony, Royal Society,  
to get the bird a Red eye  
black bird. They had a  
Red eye bird. This bird  
I had a pair of Red eye  
a pair of the same  
were feeding on it. Shot a  
Stony bird, a Red eye  
bird & a Black bird.

put on rest of day in leaving  
the line.

April 14.

So up to camp again  
that I find the things, in  
part about that is a long  
this is what is wrong  
My what a black bottom near  
camp. All the time.

So up to camp at present  
at now about with about  
black, black bottom, in  
to you may now work. That  
I find out in a while.

April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Went out about five o'clock along  
a line of narrow swamps. They  
are rapidly drying up, flush &  
short a Parula did not see anything  
else of note here, shot a  
the south across a couple of  
chains & a belt of trees  
reached a small deep swamp  
pair of White-eyed Vireos I killed  
& a pair of Pigeons were with  
a few. This is the swamp  
state is to river a few  
it down to camp saw a  
pair of Black-chinned Nuthatches  
but could not get a shot  
at them. There was a  
nest of *Prigisticta berr.*

There was much more  
and to be done but we  
could not do it in time  
and had to get out

April 1861

Went out from camp  
for about a mile and  
found a lot of  
water and some  
of the water was  
Some  
a paper about 2  
in many  
the same but  
any. We will



Very detailed is a little leaf  
a young one or small young  
also seen. There were numerous  
but did not come across any  
nest. A nest of black with  
a white spot and a few  
white spots (Barnswallow)  
seen. The nest was in the  
Panicum along the edge  
of the field. The nest of  
small young a found a nest  
consisting of a Panicum that  
probably belongs to the bird  
which the nest was. Then I  
found a nest of a few eggs  
in a Panicum but the eggs  
were dead. The nest was at

nest. They had our nest in  
sawed the bird to pieces  
could not save the skin.  
Some Black-brown  
Sparrows were noted in the  
nest. They were together with  
the bird but not getting  
to the nest. They were not  
seen any other place  
near the nest. I found  
nest very high. Black  
sawed first to the  
ground in the nest. Pair  
of Rockbirds seen at the  
nest. I saw ground in the nest  
another nest of the same  
species, small young 18 ft

from ground in Pasadena. Finch  
nest in Pasadena 1 egg  
birds about probably *Reithro-*  
*chelidon* winged finch nest 4 eggs  
5 ft from ground in Pasadena  
Shot a pair of *Reithro-*  
*chelidon* but lost the female. Shot  
a chestnut breasted finch from  
nest in grass containing  
4 eggs. Chestnut breasted  
finch from nest 3 ft from  
ground in shaded grass  
sapling. Nest of *Reithro-*  
*chelidon* finch 4 eggs 5 ft from  
ground in grass. *Reithro-*  
Strange nest finch in grass  
tree 5 ft from ground  
probably *Reithro-*

no eggs & no birds about  
it. That is I got over  
camp. They do live. In  
my view it means for  
such at present. Make  
Deal & I think well.

April 22<sup>nd</sup>

The population in the  
place west of the  
road was followed. The  
camp for about 2 weeks  
all the animals were  
small as well as I had  
a high flying that it is  
Barnard's camp. I think it  
is not very at home

They are of the same kind as  
they have been seen in  
many places. It is very  
common in some places & will  
be seen in a swamp in  
a field of corn & a little  
field of wheat. It is very  
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One of the rappers brought  
a big water carpet made  
in the swamp the morning  
before. It is of a kind of  
water carpet made in the  
swamp the morning  
before.

About the morning at  
camp. There were eggs

They went out a short  
Nevadensis, made down  
-them. In the afternoon I  
went up river to some ways  
but did not get any things  
for skinning. - Got 3 Black  
duck & 2 Seal for the post.

April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Went out west from camp to  
look for fresh tracks. Found  
a nest of Black-crowned  
Night-hawk with 7 or 8  
eggs. A nest of Merula  
in hole of tree trunk 3 ft  
from ground with small  
young. Another nest in a

several positions contained  
eggs. Nest of Lin. b. was found  
with 22<sup>nd</sup> still contained 5 eggs.  
Nest of Black-throated Finch  
with 29<sup>th</sup> contained 5 eggs.  
Another nest of this Finch  
contained 5 young & 3 eggs.  
Several unperfected nests were  
seen. Also found 6 other  
nests of Paper-throated Kinglet  
& several nests of Red-back  
Wren. Others to be seen on the  
swamps on the river shot on  
Greenbank (Blotter - ...)  
Little greenback (Blotter - ...)  
The sides of the bird were ...  
about the breeding size. Both were

was very fat. Went out about  
7 pm to look for birds, found  
a well & looked at it in a  
very low and very grassy  
field, etc. etc. I kept  
all night & it is to be  
another bird from a boy  
& found to be about  
about what I was looking  
for. I was having a  
time. The bird has  
a better call than the  
bird I was looking for. I  
was pretty sure. I know  
the one well but you  
can't see up the  
line but could see



about one of the slaves.

April 5th

Had a very nice day in the morning  
troughed through some of the best  
country but did not see  
anything of note. In the  
afternoon I went up river to  
the saw mill and saw what a  
piece of land they had. After  
lunch I went down the  
river and saw a few more  
things. The wind blowing here  
went out a pair after tea  
to look for birds. I was  
along in answer to the call  
fired a shot but missed.

did not see them again

April 27th.

Went up river a couple of  
miles & then inland along  
a narrow belt of scrub for  
another 2 miles. I hit a  
Moraca. But not anything  
else of note. My gun was  
a good 2 miles of blackberry  
fruit and I could  
after dinner I went out  
in the river after 4 p.m. but  
only met a few signs  
these were very many they  
small but I got



April 29<sup>th</sup>

Spent the morning in a party  
went some miles from camp  
after some small forest rangers  
but did not seem calling there  
heard them call a couple of  
times & caught a couple  
of one but did not get a  
shot. Spent the afternoon  
on the river after byrds  
but only shot one E. ranager  
but after that a year to  
night till nearly 12. Heard  
one call once but could  
not bring it within night

April 20th

Went out to get the boxes  
generously filled. The birds  
were busy building on the 20th and  
renewed the entire egg of the  
birds about. The nest containing  
1 egg 22nd contained 3 eggs fresh  
& shot the male from the nest.

Wanted about as long for the  
female but she did not come  
along. Nest with 20<sup>th</sup> <sup>1st</sup> contained  
1 egg, at nest on 1st nest. Found  
nest of black-winged finch 3 eggs  
Bickerton finch 3 eggs. Bluebird  
breasted finch 3 birds. 2 eggs.  
Shot another 2 eggs from  
1 egg. Shot 2 eggs from 1 egg.

Shot a Thrush, heard another  
and but could not bring it  
up.

May 20<sup>th</sup>

Leave for S. D. at daylight  
about 5 o'clock and arrive  
and to examine the soil  
for a series of hours. There  
was a good deal of  
and I brought it about in the  
afternoon.

May 21<sup>st</sup>

Visited the large field  
good crops. Took up  
some several miles north

of the river. ...  
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May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Reach S.I. about 11 am













